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1. Czechoslovakia's annual requirements in graphite electrodes amount to 1,500 tons.

2. Poland is doing its utmost to raise the production of carbon electrodes with a view to making the satellite countries independent of the West. It had been planned to commence the conversion of carbon electrodes into graphite electrodes in 1950. It will be impossible, however, to fulfill this program, since the necessary machinery and equipment, which is to come [redacted] partly from Czechoslovakia, will not be ready by then.

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